

# REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

**Title of Publication:** Shortbus

**Other Known Title:** Not Stated

**Format:** DVD

**Director/Author:** John Cameron Mitchell

**Producer/Publisher:** Howard Gertler

**Country of Origin:** USA

**Language:** English

**Applicant:** The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.

**Distributor:** Roadshow Entertainment Ltd

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.
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**Descriptive Note:** Contains explicit sex scenes.

**Display Conditions:** Nil

**Date of entry in Register:** 23 February 2007

**Date of direction to issue a label:** 22 February 2007

**OFLC No:** 700147

**Unexcised version of publication:**

	Components	Running time
<b>Menu:</b>	Play Scene Selection Special Features	
<b>Feature:</b>	Shortbus	97.07
<b>Other timed components:</b>	Copyright / Hopscotch Notices How To Shoot Sex: A Docu-Primer Deleted/Extended Scenes	0.27 8.14 29.56
<b>Total running time:</b>		135.44

**Excisions:**

No Excisions Recommended

**Reasons for excisions:**

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons  
for classification:**

The DVD entitled *Shortbus* is classified as:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

The DVD contains a feature previously rated in 35mm film format by the Office of Film and Literature Classification (OFLC No. 601467). The film was classified as objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years. That decision was registered on 6 July 2006, with the descriptive note "Contains explicit sex scenes."

The DVD contains a feature and additional components comprising deleted scenes and a brief "behind the scenes" segment. The feature is a light-hearted drama about sexuality and adult relationships, and takes place largely within the context of a sex club. These extra components are similar in tone and content to the feature, with a high extent of explicit sex scenes, and do not result in an alteration to the original classification given to the 35mm film.